Liber H. S. unlikely for them to obtain, that unless relieved by a particular Act, to be passed in their Favour, which, by their said Petitions, they have humbly prayed, that they must inevitably continue Prisoners for Life; and for that the Truth of the said Petitioners Allegations is made appear to this General Assembly, and that the said Petitioners are fit Objects of Charity, and that their lying in Goal can be no Advantage to their Creditors: It is humbly prayed that the said Petitioners may be relieved according to their Prayers, and that it may be Enacted,

> And be it Enacted, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governor,

[Prisoners to be discharged on delivering up their Effects, on Oath.]

and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That unless all or any of the Creditors of the said Thomas Gay, George Benson, James Horn, Alexander Macmullen,

Thomas Webb, John Bateman, William Matherly, Pearce Tracey, John Barnat, Bigger Head, Jacob Tracey, Thomas Thomson, James Fanning, Thomas Cloak, Edmund Low, Charles Mooney, Nicholas Sevmore, Nathaniel Wright, John Talbot, senior, Abraham Nivisson, p. 328 and Nicholas Dawson, or the Creditor or Creditors of any or either of them, or the Attorney or Attorneys of such Creditor or Creditors aforesaid, within this Province, go to the Sheriffs of the Counties of Worcester, Anne-Arundel, Frederick, Queen-Anne's, Baltimore, Saint Mary's, and Prince George's, within Ten Days next after the End of this Session of Assembly, and give good and sufficient Security to pay the Imprisonment Fees, as settled by Law, that shall or may become due from the said Prisoners respectively after the End of the said Ten Days, and also find the said Prisoners sufficient Meat, Drink, and Cloathing, during their future Imprisonment: and in Case they the said Prisoners shall deliver up and surrender, or cause to be delivered up and surrendered, to the Sheriffs of the Counties aforesaid, in the Presence of Two Justices of the Peace of the Counties aforesaid, whom the said Sheriffs are hereby required to summon, on the Request of the said Prisoners, at some convenient Time after the Receipt of this Act, not exceeding Five Days, all their Real and Personal Estate, either in Possession, Reversion, Remainder, or in Trust, or in or unto which they have any Claim or Interest whatsoever, and likewise before the Day beforementioned, convey, assign, transfer, and make over, unto the Sheriffs of Worcester, Anne-Arundel, Frederick, Queen-Anne's, Baltimore, Saint Mary's, and Prince-George's Counties, for the Use of the said Creditors, all such their Estate, Interest, or Claim, as aforesaid, after such Manner as by the said Sheriffs, and by the major Part of such Creditors, or of such of them as shall think fit to direct therein, or their Council learned in the Law shall reasonably devise or require, at the Costs and Charges of the Persons as shall claim Benefit thereof, so that the said Prisoners be not burthened with